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LfV Saarland

(S) Personnel:

a. In November 1958, Werner Klemmer, former Deputy Director of the LfV Saarland, returned to the Landeskriminalpolizei (LKP) Saarland, where he was previously employed. Klemmer has been rotating from one section to another in the LKP Headquarters, spending a few weeks in each major field to become acquainted with new developments. By March or April 1959, he will move into the position of Chief of the Inspectorate for the western half of the Saarland. He will have under his office the operations of perhaps ten field offices of the criminal police. Klemmer's reasons for leaving the LfV were overwork, the changing political situation, and the approaching prospect of being "frozen" in the LfV with no chance to return to the LKP if the situation became worse.

b. Klemmer's departure has complicated the situation in the LfV considerably. He was acting Chief until the arrival of Rudolf Beck in October 1957, and was largely responsible for the present organization. When Beck arrived he apparently divided his responsibilities with Klemmer. Since Beck was better known in Ministerial circles and could better represent the LfV there, he left a large part of the detailed operational work strictly in Klemmer's hands.

c. Since Klemmer's departure, Rudolf Beck has had no replacement for Klemmer and no additional operational personnel who could relieve Beck and the other higher staff members of the additional burdens. To date, Paul Stein, formerly in charge of the left-wing collection effort of the LfV, has taken Klemmer's place in advising the other members of the Collection Section regarding their duties. All the work of directing the LfV and maintaining contact with outside agencies has fallen to Beck personally. However, Beck, whose nerves are visibly on edge, seems already to have been affected by the heavier burden of work accruing since Klemmer's departure. Beck has previously been under a physician's care and has been in a vacation home with a heart ailment; he now fears a recurrence of the heart situation.

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